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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed February 6, 1998, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks for the U.S. patent application identified above and earnestly request that the Examiner pass this application to allowance.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 28, line 5 (as amended), change "As best shown in FIGURE the rotor 302" to

-- As shown in FIGURES 12 and 13, the rotor 302 -; and

line 7, change "as shown in FIGURES 12, 13 and 26" to --as best shown in

FIGURE 26--.

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